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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1036

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 30, 2013

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Child Care and Development Fund Eligibility.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Mahan

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill specifies health, education, safety, and training requirements that a child care provider must meet as a condition of eligibility to receive a federal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) voucher payment. The bill provides for decertification of eligibility and also requires certain reporting related to safety of children. This bill also allows the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) to release to certain child care providers information from the immunization data registry.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Summary:* This bill is expected to affect unlicensed CCDF-participating child care providers (registered child care ministries and legally license-exempt child care homes and centers). The Bureau of Child Care (BCC) reports that it would offer training courses that would be financed with federal CCDF set-aside funding. The training and education requirements in this bill are not expected to impact state funds.

The bill will also increase Division of Family Resources (DFR) workload to ensure CCDF-participating child care providers meet the specified education, group size, and training requirements. Ensuring compliance with these requirements is expected to be performed during routine annual inspections of CCDF-participating child care providers.

Additional Information: This bill will increase the minimum participation standards of the CCDF program. The BCC reports licensed child care provider employees and volunteers would meet the education requirements contained in the bill, but license-exempt providers and registered child care ministries may not.

This bill is expected to affect approximately 8,805 child care employees and volunteers in the state.

CCDF Eligibility: The DFR currently annually inspects all CCDF-participating child care providers in the state to ensure compliance with current law. If this bill increases the number of child care providers found in noncompliance with the requirements of the bill, it is expected to increase DFR workload to perform reinspections and provide remediation for those found in noncompliance. The FSSA reports the increases in workload can be implemented within the agency's existing level of resources.

Early Learning Guideline Training Requirement: The BCC currently offers child care providers a free, online training course covering early learning guidelines. Requiring child care employees and volunteers of CCDF-participating providers to complete this training is expected to have no state impact.

Continuing Education Requirement: In order to help child care providers meet the continuing education requirements, the BCC reports it will offer child care and development training classes. The costs of providing this training would be provided from federal CCDF set-aside funds and would have no state fiscal impact. These courses will be offered at no cost to child care provider employees and volunteers. Currently, the BCC offers free training courses on safe-sleeping practices to child care employees and volunteers.

Information on CCDF participants who were subject to child protection index checks during FY 2013 is included in the table below.

Provider Type	Number of Programs/Facilities	Number of Caregivers
Center, Exempt	266	1,222
Home, Exempt	454	729
Ministry	534	6,854
Total	1,254	8,805

The FSSA reports that not all facilities report total number of staff and volunteers. Therefore, the actual number of CCDF participant employees and volunteers in the state could be underestimated.

Immunization Record Access: The bill allows child care ministry and child care home providers to access child immunization records maintained by the ISDH. The ISDH reports this provision will have no fiscal impact on the state, but that child care providers would need to submit requests through a licensed medical professional.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: DFR, BCC, ISDH.

Local Agencies Affected:

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